WATCHWORD

Roberts Reports on the Advance of His Great Army.

MARCH YESTERDAY.

Boers Are Still Making It Uncomfortable, However.

London, May 12 .- The following is from Roberts: "Geneva Siding, May 11 .- My headquarters are with Pole Carew's division. Marched 20 miles British, considering the important adtoday. We are now 14 miles from vance made, are considered light." The Kroonstad and about six from Boschrand, where the Boers are holding in-trenched positions. Broadwood's guns. Marshal Roberts was at last brigade overtook part of the ene- reports eight miles north of the Zand my's convoy yesterday at Potgieter's miles from Kroonstad. Laager southeast of Ventersburg, capturing several wagons and some prisoners. We have taken nearly a hundred prisoners during the last two

London, May 12 .- The following is from Roberts: "Boshrand, May 12. -Am eight miles south of Kroonstad. The enemy evacuated the first line of laration in the presidential speech that strikers and their friends made an atintrenchments during the night. We are now * reconnoitering towards Kroonstad. French's cavalry selzed by Kruger quitted the chamber in a the drift over the Valsch river last fit of passion, declaring that he had evening just in time to prevent the done his duty and that he washed his passage being opposed by the ene-

Eden, May 11. - The Boers returned somewhat today, but it is impossible to say where they may turn up next, owing to their great mobility. Gren- for the colonies, presided last evening fell succeeded in pushing them back at the annual meeting of the grand near Rapuishopm, while Brabant committee of the Liberal Unionists of pushed forward in the direction of Birmingham, the occasion being his Brand's Drift, along with Campbell break of the war. The meeting was and the 16th brigade. A body of held in the Birmingham town hall, the Boers appeared at Verona on the approaches to which were thronged. Ladybrand road.

HOPE FOR MAFEKING.

Relief Column Reported From Pretoria to Have Reached Vryburg.

London, May 12 .- A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Cape Town, dated Thursday, says the Mafeking relief force has passed through Vryburg. A special dispatch from Pretoria.

dated May 10, says: "It is announced these great meetings, and I know that that a British relief force of 3,000 is advancing along the Bechuana railway by forced marches night and day. It reached Vryburg yesterday." [Note.-Vryburg is about 100 miles

south of Mafeking.) Kruger's Dramatic Eloquence, Cape Town, May 12 .- At the closing of the Volksraad Monday, May 7. President Kruger cried out: "God of the volksraad! Shall this be the final nish conspiracy to anninitate the re-

Movements of Rundle and Brabant. Maseru, Basutoland, May 12.-Brit ish forces from Thaba N'Chu, under General Rundle and General Brabant, are reported to have advanced towards Clocologn and Platberg. A large commando of Boers has returned from the Korannaberg hills and is in readiness to meet the British; but the Boers are puzzled to know by which route the British will appear.

Guard Shoots an Escaping Boer.

Jamestown, St. Helena, May 12.—
Tuesday night one of the guards shot a Boer prisoner as he was attempting to escape over the boundary fence. The sentry challenged thrice, but received no reply, and then fired. The matter is being investigated by a court mar-

Crossing of the Zand, London, May 12.—The Daily Ex-Spruit, May 10, morning, describing the crossing of the Zand river by the British. It says: The rear guard of the Boers, with their guns, resisted the advance. The mounted infantry, two batteries and pom-poms cleared the way, and the Third cavalry brigade acted as a screen before the main colump. General French was on the left The Boers had destroyed all the bridges to ascertain the Boer losses, but they are thought to be heavy. Those of the when the British charged, but as usuai

One Story Told of the Volksraad. London, May 12.-The Lourenzo Marques correspondent of The Times, telegraphing yesterday, says: "The discussion in the volksraad concerning the sale of undermining rights caused an exciting scene. President Kruger said the money was wanted for the purthis statement conflicted with the decthere were ample funds for prosecuting the war, and they accused the government of squandering money. Final-

hands of the business." CPAMBERLAIN TALKS AGAIN.

Pays a Graceful Tribute to Endicott-Plain Talk o fthe War.

Birmingham, May 12. - Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of the state berlain, who was accompanied by his Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain in their re

"I am deeply touched by this exwhich my wife has lately sustained. This is the first time she has been absent since our marriage from any of it is a sorrow to her to be absent tonight. It would have been congenial to to avoid al public appearance at this time; but Mr. Endlcott was, perhaps more than any other man I ever knew, imbued with the sense that all private feeling should give way to public duty. I feel, therefore, that I am best honoring his memory in keeping those public engagements which I had

already made prior to his death." Proceeding then to discuss public act? No! It shall not! God will be offairs. Chamberlain observed: merciful and strengthen the right! Our's found that a country in the midst of is the right?" The president added that our possessions in Africa, a country he had documentary proofs of a "dev-Continued on Second Page.

St. Louis Strike Again Takes on an Aspect of Turbulence.

POLICEMEN FIRE LEAD INTO A MOB

But Hit No One, It Seems-One Rioter Reported Shot by a Police Sergeant-Some Cars Running.

St. Louis, May 12 .- At 4:45 p. m. yes terday a report was received that s man had been shot at Shenandoah and press publishes a dispatch dated Riet Grand avenues by Police Sergeant Connolly, who was escorting one of the transit company's cars. The wires were reported cut on the Bellefontaine and the California avenue lines. Trouble was reported from several of the lines of the transit company at 4.30 p. tion of her curious desire to appear m., and the police were rushed to sev eral of the points where they seemed wedding means my freedom. Marriage and General Hamilton on the right to be needed most. The most serious opens the way to gratification of my The Boers had destroyed all the bridges reports came from Gravois and Call-life ambition. It removes the restricduring their retreat. It is impossible fornia avenues, where a crowd of 300 armed with stones and clubs waited for the cars to come. A crowd stoned a car at Park and Miss'ssippl avenues vance made, are considered light." The and the police, after firing over the been opposed and thwarted at every Boers were driven off in short order beads of the crowd shot into it. No one turn by those who had the right to was hit so far as known.

Company Running Several Lines. In addition to all branches of the Suburban, cars were yesterday after noon running on the following branches of the Transit company's system: Lindell, main line, out Delmar avenue and to Forest park: Page and Spalding branches of the Lindel division; the Park avenue line: the Bellefontaine line; the California avenue line. Cars on the Transit company's lines were not to be run last evening after 7 o'clock. When two cars were taken out poses of war. Members retorted that of the station at Geyer and Jefferson avenues for Carondelet at 2 p. m., 300 tempt to pull the motormen off. The police charged the crowd and made several arrests, after which the cars proceeded unmolested. A statement was issued by the Transit company yesterday afternoon offering to reinstate any man who would return to work.

Situation at East St. Louis. East St. Louis, Ills., May 12.-In this city, where all the employes of the East St. Louis Electric Railway company were ordered to strike in or der to enforce their demands for the reinstatement of discharged men and a readjustment of wages and hours, most of the lines are running. The crews of only ten cars are out.

TROUBLES AT KANSAS CITY

Strike Starts But is Not a Success So

Kansas City, May 12.- A strike was sons. Resolutions of sympathy with street car lines of the Metropolitan Railway company. About five huncent bereavement - the death of Mr. dred of the 1,500 employes responded William C. Endicott-were adopted in Kansas City, Kas., and this city. and in expressing his thanks Chamber- Not enough men on any one line struck to make any appreciable effect pression of your sense of the loss on the running of cars on the main

> Kansas City, Mo., May 12 .- The union employes of the Metropolitan Street Railway company were in secret ses sion until long after midnight this morning, discussing the flat refusal of the company to recognize the union or grant the demands of the men for bet ter wage conditions. So far as can be learned no decision to strike was ar rived at, though a significant state ment was made after the meeting by Harry Bryan, the union's national or ganizer, who declared that the mer would not wait for the company to beter its position. A strike within a very short time is considered probable.

Better Wages for Tin Plate Men.

Pittsburg, May 12.—The American Fin Plate company announced yesterday that the result of the bi-monthly wage adjustment will be an advance of 2 per cent, for the 8,000 tin plate workers of the Amalgamated association throughout the country. This is the second advance in the present scale year, the former amount to 4 per cent.

Spanish Anti-Taxation Disorder. Madrid. May 12 -- Dispatches received here show that disorders due to the auti-taxation agitation similar to those which took place in Valencia Thursday occurred Thursday night at Barcelona and at Seville. The rioting was particularly severe in Barcelona. where a crowd threw up barricades it the streets and exchanged musketry fire with a body of gen d'arme. Shots were also fired from the verandahs and balconies of a number of houses. Several gen d'armes were hit. A number of the rioters were arrested. Order bas

Boy Saves His Brother.

now been restored.

Antigo, Wis., May 12.-Irving Fin deison, a young boy, whilte attempting to cross a raffroad track got his foot caught between the outside planking of the crossing and the rail and could not extricate it. Just at that time the switch engine with a train of thirtyfive cars backed up, and only for the prenence of mind of his little brother, Walter he would probably have been killed. Walter caught him and held him down until the entire train had passed, leaving the boy unharmed.

Will Publish the Oleomargarine Formula. Washington, aMy 12.—The secretary of the treasury has decided that he can furnish the oleomargarine information called for in the Tawney resolution without violating the law, and he has directed the commissioner of internal revenue. Wilson, to prepare an answer covering the facts desired, which consist of the secret formula for making oleomargarine.

Scores on the Diamond. Chicago, May 12.-Yesterday's base ball scores were as follows: At Cincinnati-Philadelphia 20, Cincinnati 11;

at Pittsburg-Rain. American League: At ClevelandMilwaukee 5; Cleveland 7; at Tudianaplis-Chicago 7. Indianapolis 1.

He Would Sympathize with Kruger. New York, May 12.-Edward Lauterbach created a sensation at a meeting of the citizens' committee which is arranging to receive the Boer envoys by declaring that the Republican national convention must sympathize with the Boers in its platform.

Receiver for the Jaccard Company. St. Louis, May 12 — William C. Rich-ardson, public administrator, filed a petition in Judge Withrow's court yes terday asking for the appointment of a receiver for the E. Jaccard Jewelry company, one of the largest in the

MARRIED TO GAIN FREEDOM.

What the Bride of Millionaire Scott Mc-Keown Has to Say,

San Francisco, May 12 .- Only a few hours after Dorothy Dulin Studebaker became the wife of Scott McKeown she announced her intention of becoming a comic opera singer. Just before Mrs. McKeown started on her honeymoon she gave the following explanabefore the footlights. She said: "My tions that have kept me from embracing an operatic career.

"To appear in opera has been the one great passion of my life. It has regulate my conduct. My parents objected to the stage so strentously that on several occasions they prevented my appearance in amateur entertainments. Now their authority is removed." The friends of McKeown say he is strongly opposed to his wife's operatic ambition and that she will not find it easy to change his views.

WONAN QUESTION POSTPONED. British Plag Ruled Out at the Methodist

Quadrennial. Chicago, May 12 .- Anticipation of a spirited debate on the woman question brought out the largest crowd yesterday that has yet attended the Methodist general conference. The audience



clal order was vacated and the subject postponed for several days. Bishop Fowler presided. When Delegate Yates, the Republican nominee for governor of Illinois, came in he was oudly cheered.

In accordance with a resolution recently adopted the conference hall was been approved, a delegate from India called attention to the fact that all of the members were not American cit. draped in the national colors yesterzens and asked to have the union jack displayed on the platform with the stars and stripes. The suggestion was greeted with shouts of disapproval and Bishop Fowler prevented trouble by ruling it out of order.

Senate and Bouse to Brief. Washington, May 12.- The senate

yesterday, after an all-day discussion, agreed to vote on the armor plate section of the naval bill this afternoon Lodge made a speech favoring a navy his principal argument for increase be ing the Monroe doctrine's demands it it is to be maintained as interpreted today, which maintenance he favored. The house broke all records, passing 180 private pension bills and then adourned over until Monday. Among the bills was one for \$50 per month for the widow of General Henry. A

Shively Is Not a Candidate. Indianapolis May 12.—A special to The Sentinel from South Bend says:

resolution for an investigation into the

alleged postal fraud in Cuba was intro

Hon. B. F. Shively will not be a canlidate for governor this year. He has positively declined to allow the use of his name before the Democratic state convention. In an interview tonight Mr. Shively, in response to the question Are you a candidate for the nomination of governor?' replied I am not a candidate for the nomination and myname will not be presented to the state con-

Admiral Dewey at Nashville.

Nashville, Tenn., May 12.—From 8 to 10 o'clock last night Admiral and Mrs. Dewey held a public reception in the parlors of the Maxwell House. Nashville's social element turned out in force and a brilliant throng passed in review before the city's honored guests. This morning they left for

New York Getting a Frost. Catskill, N. Y., May 12 .- The temperature Thursday night fell to 26 degrees above zero. In consequence the fruit and berry crops in this vicinity, which a week ago never appeared more prom-ising, have been destroyed. The loss

Roosevelt Dines at the White House. Washington, May 12 .- President and Mrs. McKinley gave a dinner at the White House fast night in honor of Governor and Mrs. Roosevelt.

in this immediate section is estimated

Deliberately Burns to Death the Two Children of Her Husband.

CONFESSES THAT SHE DID THE DEED | killed and in the southern division 13

Case of Domestic Infelicity-Report on the Condition of Wheat, Rye and Oats-State Items.

Chicago, May 12 .- Mrs. Annie Grabant has confessed to the police that she deliberately had burned her two northern Illinois there is a deficiency step-children to death. She declared in area of 1 per cent, as compared further that she had planned to kill with 1899, but in central Illinois the her own children, four in number, as she had the others—by chloroforming them and then firing the oll-soaked room in which they lay. This statement, however, is doubted by the po- average. ice. The woman, who is at the coun ty hospital, is expected to recover.

Gave Her Little Victims Chloroform The confession is as follows: "I told Emma Grabant, II years old, to stay home from school, which she did, and sent her to the store for 5 cents' worth of kerosene oil. Then I put the children to bed and chloroformed them until they slept. Then I poured kerosene on the floor and carpet and all around the house. Then I got a match and set fire to the kitchen floor, also the bed room off the kitchen, where the two eldest girls, Emma and Mary slept. They were both burned to death How She Got Burned Herself.

"I heard the other children cry and ran through the flames, burning my feet, legs, hands and face. I purchased the kerosene from Mrs. John Frish, 288 Furner avenue, and the chloroform from a drug store at Lawndale avenue and Twenty-sixth street. I would have killed all of them if I was not taken away by force by Officers Toolan and Crowley.

Left a Letter for Her Husband. When neighbors entered the house they found the four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Grabant since their marrlage eight years ago lying on a bed in another room, and the oldest, a boy 7 years old, said their mother had put them there and told them to lie still. The father was notified, and on reach ing home found a letter that had been posted in the morning, signed with his vife's name and identified as her handwriting, saying she intended to take the lives of the six children and herself. Neighbors attributed her deed to family quarrels, as did her letter,

ILLINOIS' CROP SITUATION. condition of the Wheat, Rye and Oats All

Over the State. Springfield, Ills., May 12.-The crop eports received at the Illinois departent of agriculture on May 1 substantlate the reports of a month earlier as regards the condition of wheat, there having been a depreciation of but four points since April 1. Summaries

Wheat-In northern Illinois the con dition is 90 per cent. In central Illi-nois 84 per cent., and in the southern division of the state 83 per cent. About

14 per cent. of the area seeded last fall was winter killed or otherwise destroyed, leaving 1,700,000 acres for harvest-500,000 acres more than was harvested in 1899. On the whole the present prospect for wheat in Illinois is excellent. As large an area of spring wheat has been seeded this year as last and the May 1 condition is above an

average. Rye-In northern Illinois 14 per cent. of the rye seeded last fall was winter per cent., while in central Illinois but 6 per cent, was destroyed. The area for harvest will be about 97,000 acres. The May 1 condition of this crop in northern and central Illinois is 95 per cent. in the southern division of the

Oats-There has been quite an increase in the area sown to oats in Illinois this year, which is the largest reported for a number of years. In

Two Men Killed by a Train,

Carbondale, Ills., May 12 .- Two unknown men thought to be railroad laborers were instantly killed yesterday morning by a fast mail train on the Illinois Central railroad about two miles south of this city. The men were attempting to get away from a passing freight and were struck by the passenger train, which was running on the other track. Nothing on the bodies was found to indicate who the men were or their homes.

Will Be Sold as Advertised.

Springfield, Ills., May 12.-In United State circuit court yesterday William Burry, of Chicago, representing the bondholders of the Centralia and Chester railroad, filed objections to the sale and made a motion to have the sale, which is set for May 16, postponed sixty days from that date. Judge Allen, after hearing arguments, over-

Illinois Dental Society.

Springfield, Ills., May 12.—The Illinois State Dental society's annual convention adjourned yesterday to meet in May, 1901, at Rockford. Dr. J. J. Reid, Chicago, was elected president, and Dr. A. H. Pack, Chicago, secre-

Woman Arrested for Murder. Beardstown, Ills., May 12. - Mrs. Mary Shores was arrested here last evening and held. She is supposed to have murdered Milton Beecham in Calboun county, fils., five years ago.

Judge Phillips Not Seriously Ill. Hillsboro, Ills., May 12. - Judge Phillips caught a severe cold and has been compelled to remain in doors for two days. He sat up Thursday and is recovering from his slight relapse

Girl Wins the First Prize. Naperville, Ilis., May 12 .- At the first annual oratorical contest at Northwestollege Miss Mabel Givler won first place and Warren F. Teel second Horse Sold for \$11,000.

New York, May 12.-Banastar, the winner of last year's Brooklyn handicap, was sold yesterday for \$11,000 to Craig W. Wadsworth, of the Genesee Valley Hunt club. Banastar was the property of the late William H. Clark

CRUSHED OUT.

Fatal Freight Wreck On the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

FIRE FOLLOWS THE ACCIDENT.

Tower Operator Frank Lantel Falls Asleep at His Post.

Philadelphia, May 12.-Seven persons were killed in a freight train wreck which occurred early this morning in the tunnel of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad under Twentyfifth street, just outside of Fairmount park. Fire followed the wreck. While extinguishing the flames more than a dozen firemen were injured. Engineer George Loeb, Fireman George Hinchman and five tramps were killed. The accident was due to Tower Operator Frank Lantel, of the station entrance to the tunnel, sleeping at his post. The operator has disappeared.

Claims Germany is Friendly.

Washington, May 12 .- In the course of his speech on the naval bill in the senate today. Spooner, of Wisconsin, challenged the statement of Lodge made yesterday that Germany was threatening the Monroe doctrine. He said he had it on the highest authority that there never was a time when more cordial relations existed between the United States and Germany than today. The proposition to establish an armor plant was defeated 22 to 24.

Paris, May 12.—The United States pavilion on Rue Des Nations was formally handed over to the exposition authorities this afternoon. The ceremony was favored by beautiful weather and attracted a large assemblage.

Charged with Stealing \$1,700, Marion, Ind., May 12.-Charles E.

Webster, chief clerk of the National Military Home, was arrested here Thursday by Deputy United States Marshal Pranham, of Indianapolis, on the charge of embezzling \$1,700 of the \$225,000 of pension funds recently sent from the sub-treasury at Indianapolis to pay the veterans in the soldlers' The marshal took his prisoucr to Indianapolis. .



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